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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Reschenthaler).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC. June 16, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable GUY RESCHENTHALER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN MCCARTHY. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following

Generous God, You have gifted us with yet another day and the work to be accomplished in it. May each of us, in some manner, find enjoyment in what we do and realize that just as You have given us the pleasure of food and drink, so, too, You have intended for us to delight in doing the tasks You set

Grant us the joy that comes from having something to do, the sense of purpose in doing it, and the reward of accomplishment when it is done.

This day may we hear anew the calling to which You have called us as we embrace the claim You have laid upon us. May we well and faithfully perform the duties of that calling wherever You have asked us to serve, that we may glorify You in our labor. And may our lives be a testimony to the peace that is found in serving You.

In Your sovereign name we pray. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Al-

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, June 15, 2023.

Hon. KEVIN McCARTHY,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 15, 2023, at 3:16 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 43.

With best wishes, I am.

Sincerely.

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

Clerk.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE AMERICAN FOLKLIFE CEN-TER IN THE LIBRARY OF CON-GRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 2103(b), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following individual to the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress on the part of the House for a term of 6 years:

Mrs. Heather Obernolte, Big Bear Lake, California

#### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BRITISH-AMERICAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. LATTA, Ohio, Chair

Mr. ADERHOLT, Alabama

Mr. Cole, Oklahoma

Mr. MEUSER, Pennsylvania

Mr. SMUCKER, Pennsylvania

Mrs. Kim, California Mr. Kean, New Jersey

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO MEXICO-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. McCaul, Texas, Chair

Mr. VALADAO, California

Mr. GIMENEZ, Florida

Mr. CISCOMANI, Arizona

Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Texas

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO CANADA-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d,

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and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. Huizenga, Michigan, Chair

Mr. Bergman, Michigan Mr. STAUBER, Minnesota

Ms. Tenney, New York Mr. FINSTAD, Minnesota

Mr. Langworthy, New York

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at noon for morning-hour de-

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS. ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-1261. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Pool Heaters [EERE-2021-BT-STD-0020] (RIN: 1904-AD49) received June 15, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-1262. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule - Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Electric Motors [EERE-2020-BT-STD-0007] (RIN: 1904-AE63) received June 15, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121. Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-1263. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Room Air Conditioners [EERE-2014-BT-STD-0059] (RIN: 1904-AD97) received June 15, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-1264. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Determination Under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1265. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for the drawdown of defense articles and services and military education and training under section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide immediate military assistance to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1266. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's 2022 Freedom of Information Act Litigation and Compliance Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(F)(ii)(II); Public Law 89-554, Sec. 5(ii)(II) (as added by Public Law 110-175, Sec. 5); (121 Stat. 2526); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability. EC-1267. A letter from the Secretary to the

Board, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Annual Report Required by Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 and Railroad Retirement Solvency Act of 1983, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 231f-1; Public Law 98-76, Sec. 502 (as amended by Public Law 104-66, Sec. 2221(a)); (109 Stat. 733) and 45 U.S.C. 231u(a)(1); Aug. 29, 1935, ch. 812, Sec. 22(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-90, Sec. 108(a)); (115 Stat. 890); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Transportation and Infrastruc-

EC-1268. A letter from the Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the 2023 annual report on the financial status of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance System, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 369; Public Law 100-647, Sec. 7105; (102 Stat. 3772); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Transportation and Infrastruc-

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

> By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, and Ms. PINGREE):

H.R. 4195. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow parental choice in the selection of primary health insurance coverage or primary coverage under a group health plan for certain dependent children; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. HARSHBARGER:

H.R. 4196. A bill to prohibit the flying, draping, or other display of any flag other than the flag of the United States at public buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Ms. SCHRIER, and Ms. SALINAS):

H.R. 4197. A bill to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to reauthorize the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ROSE:

H.R. 4198. A bill to amend section 604(c) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act to address the treatment of pre-screening report requests, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SOTO:

H.R. 4199. A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to establish and carry out a pilot program to use blockchain technology in food safety and labeling; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. TLAIB: H.R. 4200. A bill to defer part of the compensation of senior employees of large financial institutions (and their subsidiaries), to use such deferred amounts to pay any civil or criminal fines that may be levied on the institution (or subsidiary), and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. TLAIB (for herself, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. FROST, and Ms. DELAURO):

H.R. 4201. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require a gun lock to be provided to every firearm purchaser; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. TORRES of California (for herself, Mr. Schneider, Mr. Beyer, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. VARGAS, NORTON, Ms BARRAGÁN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. MENG, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. GOMEZ, and Mrs. Watson Coleman):

H.R. 4202. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to expand to all firearms the requirement that Federal firearms licensees report sales of 2 or more handguns to the same unlicensed person within 5 consecutive business days; to the Committee on the Judi-

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 4203. A bill to require owners of covered federally assisted rental dwelling units to install temperature sensors in such units, and for other purposes: to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. JACOBS: H. Res. 520. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the second week of June as Children's Week in the United States; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mrs. LUNA (for herself, Mr. DAVID-SON, Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California, LUTTRELL Mr. GAETZ Mrs. Mr. BOEBERT, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. HERN, Mr. BURLISON, Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. NORMAN, and Mr. LANGWORTHY):

H. Res. 521. A resolution censuring Adam Schiff, Representative of the 30th Congressional District of California; to the Committee on Ethics.

> By Mr. VEASEY (for himself, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. CORREA, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Mr. Payne, Mr. Horsford, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. THANEDAR. Ms. NORTON. Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. CARSON, Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. DAVID Scott of Georgia, Ms. Brown, and Mr. CLEAVER):

H. Res. 522. A resolution recognizing the role of father engagement in improving overall health outcomes during pregnancy, birth, and postpartum, for both the mother and baby; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

#### MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

ML-27. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 19, urging the United States Congress to enact legislation that will make state child abuse registries public records; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

ML-28. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 4, stating that the people of the State of Idaho oppose the EPA-proposed rules that circumvent science and invalidate Idaho's WQS based on the flawed and elusive premise of 19th century water quality standards for Idaho waters in 2023. Idaho will defend its scientifically based standards in court if necessary; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

ML-29. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of New Mexico, relative to Senate Memorial 64, supporting Ukraine against Russian aggression and urging Russia to immediately cease its attack; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

ML-30. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to House Concurrent Memorial 2007, urging the United States Congress to enact the State Immigration Enforcement Act or similar legislation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ML-31. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 2, calling on Congress to restrict the jurisdiction of the federal courts from hearing cases regarding state legislative authority to legislate on the abortion issue; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ML-32. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Resolution No. 53, to memorialize Congress to enact a trade policy that supports United States businesses and workers while penalizing global polluters; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ML-33. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to Senate Resolution No. 9, urging the President of the United States to restart and expedite the completion of the Keystone XL pipeline, reducing the United States' and the rest of the world's reliance on Russian Energy; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Natural Resources, and Energy and Commerce.

### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 4195.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is: Health insurance regulations.

By Mrs. HARSHBARGER:

H.R. 4196

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is: Government Operations

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 4197.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is: Reauthorize the Collaborative Forest

Landscape Restoration Program. By Mr. ROSE:

H.R. 4198.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution. The single subject of this legislation is: mortgage leads

By Mr. SOTO:

H.R. 4199.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is: To amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to establish and carry out a pilot program to use blockchain technology in food safety and labeling.

By Ms. TLAIB:

H.R. 4200.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution. The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill defers part of the compensation of senior employees of large financial institutions (and their subsidiaries), to use such deferred amounts to pay any civil or criminal fines that may be levied on the institution (or subsidiary), and for other purposes.

By Ms. TLAIB:

H.R. 4201.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is: This bill requires that a firearm seller provide a compatible, lockable secure gun storage or safety device with each firearm they

By Mrs. TORRES of California: H.R. 4202.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

According to Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: of the United States Constitution, seen below, this bill falls within the Constitutional Authority of the United States Congress

Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in

The single subject of this legislation is: multiple sales

 $\rm By \ Mr.$  TORRES of New York: H.R. 4203.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

The single subject of this legislation is: Bank Regulation

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS TO PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 150: Mr. CAREY.

H.R. 340: Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. FLOOD, and Mr. SANTOS.

 $\rm H.R.~345;~Mr.~Vasquez.$ 

H.R. 431: Mr. McCormick. H.R. 468: Mr. Higgins of Louisiana.

H.R. 481: Mr. MORELLE.

H.R. 531: Mr. WALTZ, Mr. CAREY, and Mr. JACKSON of Texas.

H.R. 625: Ms. SHERRILL and Ms. WATERS.

H.R. 670: Mr. Lieu and Mr. Gottheimer.

H.R. 743: Mr. D'Esposito and Mr. Nickel.

H.R. 780: Ms. MACE.

H.R. 790: Mr. SELF and Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 797: Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California. H.R. 807: Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California, Mr. BERGMAN, and Mr. BALDERSON. H.R. 830: Ms. Stansbury, Ms. Sewell, Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Ms. Pettersen, Mr. Case, Mr. Grijalva, Mrs. Cherfilus-McCormick, Ms. Craig, Ms. Kelly of Illinois, Mr. Cohen, Ms. Bonamici, Mrs. Trahan, and Ms. Kaptur.

H.R. 834: Mr. MANN.

H.R. 882: Mrs. Napolitano.

H.R. 1045: Mr. LAWLER and Mr. TONKO.

 $\rm H.R.~1105;~Mr.~Gottheimer.$ 

H.R. 1147: Ms. MACE, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. SELF, Mr. WALTZ, and Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia.

H.R. 1267: Mr. NICKEL.

 $\rm H.R.~1371:~Mr.~James,~Ms.~Craig,~Ms.~Norton,~and~Mr.~Diaz-Balart.$ 

H.R. 1413: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 1437: Mr. HERN.

H.R. 1582: Mrs. BICE.

H.R. 1729: Mr. THANEDAR.

H.R. 1765: Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 1780: Mr. DELUZIO.

 $\rm H.R.~1785;~Ms.~Kaptur,~Mr.~Carter~of~Louisiana,~Mr.~Gomez,~Mr.~Kelly~of~Mississippi,~and~Mr.~Graves~of~Louisiana.$ 

H.R. 1800: Mr. Babin.

 $H.R.\ 1801;\ Mr.\ LEVIN$  and  $Ms.\ CLARKE$  of New York.

H.R. 1815: Ms. TOKUDA.

H.R. 1818: Ms. Ross, Mr. Graves of Louisiana, and Mrs. Fletcher.

H.R. 1833: Mr. MAGAZINER and Mr. NICKEL.

H.R. 2426: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 2485: Mr. CÁRDENAS.

H.R. 2530: Ms. OMAR, Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. FROST, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. CLARKE Of New York, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. WATERS, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, and Ms. DEGETTE.

H.R. 2534: Ms. WILD and Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 2548: Mr. TRONE.

H.R. 2620: Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas.

H.R. 2662: Mr. MANN.

H.R. 2816: Mr. MANN.

H.R. 2871: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 3005: Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3074: Mr. NICKEL.

H.R. 3106: Mr. Tonko.

H.R. 3149: Mr. Flood. H.R. 3184: Mr. Lalota.

H.R. 3227: Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana.

H.R. 3255: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. MULLIN.

H.R. 3285: Mr. BALDERSON.

H.R. 3337: Mr. ESTES.

H.R. 3347: Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Mr. Correa, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Meuser, and Mr. Vasquez.

H.R. 3413: Mr. COSTA, Mr. CAREY, Mr. LUCAS, and Mr. ROY.

H.R. 3473: Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 3475: Mr. HIMES.

H.R. 3517: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H.R. 3511. Mr. VAN ORDEN and Mr. VASQUEZ.

H.R. 3542: Mr. WITTMAN.

H.R. 3616: Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SORENSEN, and Mr. NICKEL.

H.R. 3619: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 3620: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 3621: Ms. LOFGREN. H.R. 3622: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 3639: Mr. Mann.

H.R. 3653: Mrs. Spartz.

H.R. 3666: Ms. DE LA CRUZ and Mr. CARTER of Georgia.

H.R. 3684: Mr. TRONE.

H.R. 3741: Mr. FEENSTRA.

H.R. 3785: Mr. Lynch.

 $H.R.\ 3847;$  Mr. Mullin and Mr. Davis of Illinois.

H.R. 3876: Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. COHEN, Ms. DEGETTE, and Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 3877: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.

 $\rm H.R.$  3956: Mr. Lawler.

 $\rm H.R.$  3962: Ms. Porter, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Ms. Sherrill, and Ms. Ross.

 $\rm H.R.~4010;~Mrs.~Hayes,~Mr.~Casten,~and~Mr.~Davis of Illinois.$ 

H.R. 4071: Mr. Thompson of Mississippi.

H.R. 4090: Ms. Blunt Rochester.

H.R. 4096: Mr. ALLEN.

H.R. 4122: Ms. Jackson Lee, Ms. Williams of Georgia, Mr. Veasey, Mr. David Scott of Georgia, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. Horsford, Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Ms. Lee of Pennsylvania, Ms. Plaskett, Mr. Ivey, Mr. Meeks, Ms. Strickland, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Torres of New York, Ms. Bush, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, and Mr. Payne

H.R. 4145: Mr. DUNN of Florida.

H.R. 4161: Mr. Jackson of Texas.

 $\rm H.R.~4162;~Mr.~BISHOP~of~Georgia~and~Mr.~Waltz.$ 

H.R. 4181: Mr. Roy and Mr. BILIRAKIS.

 $\rm H.R.~4182;~Mr.~Lieu$  and Mrs. Cherfilus-McCormick.

H.J. Res. 8: Mr. MOYLAN, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. BUCHANAN, and Mr. ESTES.

H. Res. 86: Mr. RASKIN.

H. Res. 425: Ms. Matsui, Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Dingell, Ms. Jacobs, and Mr. Sorensen

H. Res. 470: Ms. Greene of Georgia.

H. Res. 488: Mrs. Spartz and Mr. Cohen.

H. Res. 493: Mrs. Boebert.

H. Res. 494: Mrs. BOEBERT.

H. Res. 505: Ms. Bonamici, Mr. Thompson of California, Ms. Brown, Ms. Delbene, Ms. Titus, Mr. Payne, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Landsman, Mr. Morelle, Mr. Carbajal, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Ms. Bush, Ms. Tlaib, Mr. Lieu, Mr. Magaziner, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Sánchez, and Mr. Menendez.

H. Res. 514: Ms. SEWELL.

#### DISCHARGE PETITIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XV, the following discharge petitions were filed:

Petition 2, June 13, 2023, by Mrs. McBath on House Resolution 452, was signed by the following Members: Mrs. McBath, Mr. Clyburn, Mr. Thompson of California, Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania, Mr. Frost, Mr. Magaziner, Ms. Brownley, Ms. Houlahan. Spanberger, Ms. Lee of Nevada, Ms. Lofgren, Ms. Tlaib, Mrs. Sykes, Ms. Ross, Ms. Kelly of Illinois, Ms. Scanlon, Ms. Kamlager-Dove, Ms. Escobar, Mr. Auchincloss, Ms. Leger Fernandez, Mr. Thanedar, Mr. Phillips. Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Napolitano, Mrs. McClellan, Mr. Ivey, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Horsford, Blunt Rochester, Mr. Meeks, Ms. Ms. Tokuda, Mr. Foster, Mr. Courtney, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Mr. Bera, Mr. Aguilar, Mrs. Torres of California, Mr. Blumenauer, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Evans, Mr. Crow. Mrs. Foushee, Ms. Adams, Mr. Vargas, Ms. Salinas, Mr. Quigley, Ms. Wexton, Ms Kuster, Ms. Stansbury, Ms. Meng, Mr. Ms. McGarvey, Mr. Casar, Ms. Matsui, DelBene, Ms. Balint, Ms. Budzinski, Ms. Slotkin, Mrs. Cherfilus-McCormick, Ms. Brown, Mr. Ruiz, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Carbajal, Ms. Scholten, Mr. Levin, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Ms. Bush, Ms. Lee of Pennsylvania, Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Jayapal, Ms. McCollum, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. Ruppersberger, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Mr. Gomez, Ms. DeLauro, Mr. Raskin, Ms. Williams of Georgia, Mrs. Hayes, Ms. Pelosi, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Ms. Stevens, Mr. DeSaulnier, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Hoyer, Mr. Payne, Mr. Robert Garcia of California, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Jacobs, Ms. Strickland, Mr. Goldman of New York, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. DeGette, Mr. Deluzio, Mr. Landsman, Mrs. Ramirez, Ms. Clarke of New York, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Nickel, Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Allred, Mr. Lieu, Mr. García of Illinois, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Nadler, Ms. Lois Frankel of Florida, Mrs. Fletcher, Ms. Pressley, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Boyle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Pappas, Mrs. Trahan, Ms. Castor of Florida, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Chu, Mr. Soto, Mr. Huffman, Ms. Manning, Mr. Espaillat, Ms. Sewell, Mr. Schneider, Ms. Pettersen, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Titus, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Takano, Mr. Kilmer, Mr.Sorensen, Ms. Schrier, Ms. Craig, Mr. Garamendi, Mr. Castro of Texas, Mr. Pocan, Mr. Peters, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Mullin, Ms. Garcia of Texas, Ms. Omar, Mr. Morelle, Mr. Neguse, Mr. Case, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Torres of New York, Mr. Moskowitz, Mr. Jackson of North Carolina, Ms. Crockett, Mr. Tonka, Mr. Correa, Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr.Cohen, Mr. Veasey, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Ms. Waters, Mr. David Scott of Georgia, Mrs. Dingell, Mr. Gottheimer, Mr. Himes, Ms. Wild, Ms. Caraveo, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Hoyle of Oregon, Mr. Neal, Ms. Sánchez, Mr. Mrvan, Ms. Pingree, Mr. Khanna, Mr. Mfume, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Norcross, Mr. Grijalva, Ms. Sherrill, Mr Moulton, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Swalwell, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Ms. Underwood, Mr. Carson, Mr. Harder of California, Cárdenas, Mr. Krishnamoorthi, Mr. Trone, Mr. Casten, Mr. Keating, Mr. Higgins of New York, Mr. Kim of New Jersey, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Gallego, Ms. Porter, Mr. Stanton, Mr. Panetta, and Mr. Costa

Petition 3, June 13, 2023, by Mr. CLYBURN on House Resolution 453, was signed by the following Members: Mr. Clyburn, Mr. Thompson of California, Mrs. McBath, Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania, Mr. Frost, Mr. Magaziner, Ms. Brownley, Ms. Houlahan, Ms. Spanberger, Ms. Lee of Nevada, Ms. Lofgren, Ms. Tlaib, Mrs. Sykes, Ms. Ross, Ms. Kelly of Illinois, Ms. Scanlon, Ms. Kamlager-Dove, Ms. Escobar, Mr. Auchineloss, Ms. Leger Fernandez, Mr. Thanedar, Mr. Phillips, Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Napolitano, Mrs. McClellan, Mr. Ivey, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Horsford, Ms. Blunt Rochester, Mr. Meeks, Ms. Tokuda, Mr. Foster, Mr. Courtney, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Mr. Bera, Mr. Aguilar, Mrs. Torres of California, Mr. Blumenauer, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Evans, Mr. Crow, Mrs. Foushee, Ms. Adams, Mr. Vargas, Ms. Salinas, Mr. Quigley, Ms. Wexton, Ms. Kuster, Ms. Stansbury, Ms. Meng, Mr.McGarvey, Mr. Casar, Ms. Matsui, Ms. DelBene, Ms. Balint, Ms. Budzinski, Ms. Slotkin, Mrs. Cherfilus-McCormick, Ms. Brown, Mr. Ruiz, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Carbajal. Ms. Scholten, Mr. Levin, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Ms. Bush, Ms. Lee of Pennsylvania. Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Jayapal, Ms. McCollum, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. Ruppersberger, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Mr. Gomez, Ms. DeLauro, Mr. Raskin, Ms. Williams of Georgia, Mrs. Hayes, Ms. Pelosi, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Ms. Stevens, Mr. DeSaulnier, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Hover, Mr. Payne, Mr. Robert Garcia of California, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Jacobs, Ms. Strickland, Mr. Goldman of New York, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. DeGette, Mr. Deluzio, Mr. Landsman, Mrs. Ramirez, Ms. Clarke of New York, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Nickel, Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Allred, Mr. Lieu, Mr. García of Illinois, Mr. Cartwright, Velázquez, Mr. Nadler, Ms. Lois Frankel of Florida, Mrs. Fletcher, Ms. Pressley, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Boyle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Pappas, Mrs. Trahan, Ms. Castor of Florida, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Chu, Mr. Soto, Mr. Huffman, Ms. Manning, Mr. Espaillat, Ms. Sewell, Mr. Schneider, Ms. Pettersen, Mr. Vicente Gonzalez of Texas,

Mr. Menendez, Ms. Titus, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Takano, Mr. Kilmer, Mr. Sorensen, Ms. Schrier, Ms. Craig, Mr. Garamendi, Mr. Castro of Texas, Mr. Pocan, Mr. Peters, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Mullin, Ms. Garcia of Texas, Ms. Omar, Mr. Morelle, Mr. Neguse, Mr. Case, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Torres of New York, Mr. Moskowitz, Mr. Jackson of North Carolina, Ms. Crockett, Ms. Davids of Kansas, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Correa, Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Veasey, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Ms. Waters, Mr. David Scott of Georgia, Mrs. Dingell, Mr. Gottheimer, Mr. Himes, Ms. Wild, Ms. Caraveo, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Hoyle of Oregon, Mr. Neal, Ms. Sánchez, Mr. Mrvan, Ms. Pingree, Mr. Khanna, Mr. Mfume, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Norcross, Mr. Grijalva, Ms. Sherrill, Mr. Moulton, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Swalwell, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Ms. Underwood, Mr. Carson, Mr. Harder of California, Mr. Cárdenas, Mr. Krishnamoorthi, Mr. Trone, Mr. Casten, Mr. Keating, Mr. Higgins of New York, Mr. Kim of New Jersey, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Gallego, Ms. Porter, Mr. Stanton, Mr. Panetta, and Mr. Costa.

Petition 4, June 13, 2023, by Mr. THOMP-SON of California on House Resolution 454. was signed by the following Members: Mr. Thompson of California, Mr. Clyburn, Mrs. McBath, Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania, Mr. Frost, Mr. Magaziner, Ms. Brownley, Ms. Houlahan, Ms. Spanberger, Ms. Lee of Nevada, Ms. Lofgren, Ms. Tlaib, Mrs. Sykes, Ms. Ross, Ms. Kelly of Illinois, Ms. Scanlon, Kamlager-Dove, Ms. Escobar, Auchincloss, Ms. Leger Fernandez, Mr. Thanedar, Mr. Phillips, Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Napolitano, Mrs. McClellan, Mr. Ivey, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Horsford, Ms. Blunt Rochester, Mr. Meeks, Ms. Tokuda, Mr. Foster, Mr. Courtney, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Mr. Bera, Mr. Aguilar, Mrs. Torres of California, Mr. Blumenauer, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Evans, Mr. Crow, Mrs. Foushee, Ms. Adams, Mr. Vargas, Ms. Salinas, Mr. Quigley, Ms. Wexton, Ms. Kuster, Ms. Stansbury, Ms. Meng, Mr. McGarvey, Mr. Casar, Ms. Matsui, Ms. DelBene, Ms. Balint, Ms. Budzinski, Ms. Slotkin, Mrs. Cherfilus-McCormick, Ms. Brown, Mr. Ruiz, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Carbajal, Ms. Scholten, Mr. Levin, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Ms. Bush, Ms. Lee of Pennsylvania, Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Jayapal, Ms. McCollum, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. Ruppersberger, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Mr. Carter of Louisiana, Mr. Gomez, Ms. De Lauro, Mr. Raskin, Ms. Williams of Georgia. Mrs. Hayes, Ms. Pelosi, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Ms. Stevens, Mr. DeSaulnier, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Hoyer, Mr. Payne, Mr. Robert Garcia of California, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Jacobs, Ms. Strickland, Mr. Goldman of New York, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. DeGette, Mr. Deluzio, Mr. Landsman, Mrs. Ramirez, Ms. Clarke of New York, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Nickel, Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Allred, Mr. Lieu, Mr. García of Illinois, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Nadler, Ms. Lois Frankel of Florida, Mrs. Fletcher, Ms. Pressley, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Boyle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Pappas, Mrs. Trahan, Ms. Castor of Florida, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Chu, Mr. Soto, Mr. Huffman, Ms. Manning, Mr. Espaillat, Ms. Sewell, Mr. Schneider, Ms. Pettersen, Mr. Vicente Gonzalez of Texas, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Titus, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Takano, Mr. Kilmer, Mr. Sorensen, Ms. Schrier, Ms. Craig, Mr. Garamendi, Mr. Castro of Texas, Mr. Pocan, Mr. Peters, Mr. Vasquez, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Mullin, Ms. Garcia of Texas, Ms. Omar, Mr. Morelle, Mr. Neguse, Mr. Case, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Torres of New York, Mr.

Moskowitz, Mr. Jackson of North Carolina, Ms. Crockett, Ms. Davids of Kansas, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Correa, Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Veasey, Mr. Palone, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Ms. Waters, Mr. David Scott of Georgia, Mrs. Dingell, Mr. Gottheimer, Mr.

Himes, Ms. Wild, Ms. Caraveo, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Hoyle of Oregon, Mr. Neal, Ms. Sánchez, Mr. Mrvan, Ms. Pingree, Mr. Khanna, Mr. Mfume, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Norcross, Mr. Grijalva, Ms. Sherrill, Mr. Moulton, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Swalwell, Mr. Pascrell, Mr.

Larsen of Washington, Ms. Underwood, Mr. Carson, Mr. Harder of California, Mr. Cárdenas, Mr. Krishnamoorthi, Mr. Trone, Mr. Casten, Mr. Keating, Mr. Higgins of New York, Mr. Kim of New Jersey, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Gallego, Ms. Porter, Mr. Stanton, Mr. Panetta, and Mr. Costa.



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## Senate

The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable RAPH-AEL G. WARNOCK, a Senator from the State of Georgia.

## APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mrs. Murray).

The Parliamentarian read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, Washington, DC, June 16, 2023.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RAPHAEL G. WARNOCK, a Senator from the State of Georgia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY, President pro tempore.

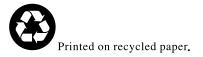
Mr. WARNOCK thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023, AT 3 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 39 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 3 p.m.

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#### EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CELEBRATING RUTH PLUMB'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, today I want to honor Ruth Plumb and recognize a wonderful life milestone, wishing her a very happy 100th birthday.

Ruth was born in Houston, Texas on June 10, 1923, to Arnold Louis Hillendahl and Henrietta Viola Williams Hillendahl—with a long family history embedded in their Texas community. Ruth's ancestors were one of the five settling families in the area who played an important part in the history of the Spring Branch area of Houston, with even a branch of the Houston Library named for her father Arnold.

Ruth lived on the Houston family farm until her 1943 marriage to Charles Wolf, who's time in the Navy stationed them right in our district—Corpus Christi Texas and then eventually to Astoria Oregon and San Diego California. After Charles was released from the navy, the couple happily resided in Houston until his death in 1963. After Charles' passing, Ruth remarried 10 years later to John Plumb and the couple resided in Katy, Texas until John's eventual passing in 1978. Ruth relocated to the Spring Branch area of Houston to be closer to family—until she ultimately came back to Texas—27 in the wonderful town of Port Lavaca, where she still lives today.

Above all, Ruth is known as a faithful member of her community and a dear friend to all—investing in those around her and loving her neighbor as herself. Through her travels, her relationships, and her service, she continues to be a prime example of a life truly well lived—and our district is better for it.

I'm thrilled to be able to help play a small part in recognizing Ruth and wishing her a wonderful 100th birthday. May God continue to bless her life and bless those around her.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF LT. COL. JOE M. SAHL

#### HON. ANDREW OGLES

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. OGLES. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize Lt. Col. Joe M. Sahl for his service over the last two years as Commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nashville District.

A graduate of Texas A&M University, Lt. Col. Sahl was commissioned into the U.S. Army in 2004. Since then, he has dedicated his career to his country, and has been stationed in Europe, Iraq, and throughout the various states of the Union. Initially assigned to the 62nd Engineer Battalion, Lt. Col. Sahl served as a platoon leader, executive officer,

and as an Assistant Operations Officer. He would go on to command Charlie Company of the 1st Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team where he trained and deployed before becoming the Brigade Engineer. He would go on to hold many other roles and commands before eventually becoming the 67th commander of the Nashville District of the Army Corps of Engineers. He has earned a Bronze Star twice, the Meritorious Service Medal six times, the Combat Action Badge, and numerous other official commendations. He also received the Army Engineer Association's Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal in recognition of professional excellence. Lt. Col. Sahl is married and is a proud father to two sons who have had an excellent role model in their father.

The command he currently holds, the Nashville District of the Army Corps of Engineers, has served the region since 1888. Initially tasked with overseeing the construction of a series of locks and dams on the Cumberland River, their mission now includes flood risk reduction, hydropower and recreation at nine multipurpose projects in the Cumberland River Basin, and stewarding natural resources in the region. The personnel stationed here under Lt. Col. Sahl's command provide oversight for the various civil projects of Tennessee. They have proven vital to maintaining the safety and well-being of Tennesseans.

I urge my colleagues to join me in thanking Lt. Col. Sahl for his service to his country and in wishing him good luck as he goes to his next duty station. I am sure he will continue to uphold the traditions of the United States Army and the Corps of Engineers he serves in

RECOGNIZING JAC CUDDY FOR 10 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE NH HOUSING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Jac Cuddy on his retirement from the New Hampshire Housing Board of Directors after a dedicated 10 years of service. In the last decade, Jac has worked tirelessly to improve housing conditions throughout the Granite State. I commend his dedication to the state of housing in New Hampshire, and the role he plays as a vital, valued member of not only the Conway community, but the entirety of Mount Washington Valley.

Throughout his time with the NH Housing Board of Directors, Jac has served as a shining example of what it means to be a public servant. Jac's prior positions as a member of the Executive Committee, Vice Chair, and Acting Chair have allowed him to provide accessible, equitable housing solutions for the people of New Hampshire. His extensive expertise and continuous involvement in bettering the

Granite State speak to Jac's commitment to the values of the NH Housing Board of Directors. The passion he holds for this community demonstrates the highest levels of leadership, integrity, and equity necessary to provide Granite Staters with the resources and opportunities they deserve.

I commend Jac once more for his time with the NH Housing Board of Directors. His decade of tireless work for the people of New Hampshire will serve as a shining example for future board members. I look forward to seeing what his next chapter holds, and on behalf of the constituents of New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

IN APPRECIATION OF MATT HOUT AND HIS COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION

#### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday,  $June\ 16$ , 2023

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the colleagues and friends of Matt Hout in honoring him for his decades of dedicated service as an educator, lifeguard and union leader in Western New York on the occasion of his retirement.

For the past twenty-five years, Mr. Hout has been a member of the faculty in the Cheektowaga Central School District. Having taught biology, life sciences and chemistry, Mr. Hout helped young people better understand and appreciate the wonder and mystery of the natural world all around them, and prepared them for careers for which STEM skills are no longer optional, but necessary. Prior to his work with the Cheektowaga Central School District he taught in various other Western New York school districts, as well as at my own alma mater, SUNY Buffalo State.

Mr. Hout's commitment to his students, his colleagues and his community did not stop when the dismissal bell rang. Whether coaching swimming teams, supervising the weight room or chaperoning functions like proms to visits here to our nation's capital. Mr. Hout gave freely of his time and commitment to his students. Mr. Hout has also been a lifeguard in the New York State Parks for forty years, having made possible safe and healthy recreation for thousands of New Yorkers and having saved more than a few lives. Mr. Hout has been an effective advocate for his profession as an officer of the Cheektowaga Central Teachers Association, a unit of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, and for his fellow lifeguards as regional vice president of the New York State Lifeguard Corps Union, another AFT unit.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing Mr. Hout, his wife Denise, and his adult children Courtney and Nicholas all the best as he begins his well-earned retirement after an extraordinary career in which he dedicated himself to his students, his colleagues and his community.

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#### HON. JOAOUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate a dedicated public servant on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Air Force. Senior Master Sergeant Louis Lusco II is an exemplary public servant who has demonstrated exceptional leadership and the highest standards of professionalism serving our Nation. Senior Master Sergeant Lusco spent 24 years exemplifying the motto of the United States Air Force—Aim High . . . Fly-Fight-Win, with his service to our country.

Senior Master Sergeant Lusco is a native of Louisville, Kentucky. He went on to enlist in the Air Force in September 1999 as an aircraft fuel systems mechanic. His assignments took him from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, in my hometown of San Antonio, Texas, to Osan Air Force Base, in the Republic of Korea. Over the course of his career, Senior Master Sergeant Lusco served through three deployments, including in Al Udeid, Qatar, and Kandahar, Afghanistan, where he led aircraft maintenance units advance their missions.

Senior Master Sergeant Lusco continued his service at the Department of State, with the Office of Legislative Affairs, where he coordinated legislative activity for the Department. Following his time at the State Department, Senior Master Sergeant Lusco served in my office as an Air Force Legislative Fellow, before completing his legislative tour at the Pentagon.

In addition to his career achievements, Senior Master Sergeant Lusco is a devoted husband and father to his wife, Katrina and their daughter, Nadia.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Senior Master Sergeant Lusco for his two decades of service to our country.

HONORING THE 2022 FELLOWS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF IN-VENTORS

#### HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday,  $June\ 16$ , 2023

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 169 inventors to be inducted as the 2022 Fellows of the National Academy of Inventors (NAI). An induction ceremony will take place this June in Washington D.C. to celebrate these inventors and their incredible accomplishments, presided over by Undersecretary of Commerce and Director of the United State Patent and Trademark Office, Kathi Vidal, and President of NAI, Dr. Paul R. Sanberg. To be named as a Fellow, these individuals were nominated by their peers and underwent a review process by the NAI Selection Committee which ultimately deemed their innovations as making significant impact on quality of life, economic development and the welfare of society.

Collectively, this year's NAI Fellows hold over 5,000 patents. This remarkable group includes individuals from 110 research universities and non-profit research institutes from across the United States and the world. Today, the NAI maintains a strong membership of 1.736 Fellows: it is composed of more than 200 senior leaders of research universities and nonprofit research institutes, over 650 members of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, 49 inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame, 63 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Technology and Innovation and U.S. National Medal of Science, 49 Nobel Laureates, 491 AAAS Fellows, 366 IEEE Fellows, and 265 Fellows of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, among other awards and dis-

Founded by Dr. Paul R. Sanberg at the University of South Florida in 2010, the NAI's mission is to recognize and encourage inventors with patents issued from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, enhance the visibility of academic technology and innovation, encourage the disclosure of intellectual property, educate and mentor innovative students and translate the inventions of its members to benefit society.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my neighbors in Tampa Bay and the citizens of Florida, I am proud to honor the 2022 Fellows of the National Academy of Inventors on this outstanding achievement. We are incredibly grateful to innovators for their contributions to society and its constant revolutionization through their inventions. As the following 169 inventors are inducted into the NAI's growing community, may this encourage future generations to strive toward this achievement and to continue the spirit of discovery and innovation.

The 2022 NAI Fellows include:

Eben Alsberg, University of Illinois Chicago; Husam Alshareef, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology; Tara Alvarez, New Jersey Institute of Technology; Robert Anderson, Illinois Institute of Technology; James Antaki, Cornell University; Gonzalo Arce, University of Delaware; Huseyin Arslan, Istanbul Medipol University; Pranesh Aswath, The University of Texas at Arlington; Matthew Becker, Duke University; Barry Bercu, University of South Florida.

Richard Blair, University of Central Florida; Gerardus Boons, University of Georgia; Brett Bouma, Massachusetts General Hospital Research Institute; Alan Bovik, The University of Texas at Austin; Paul Braun, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; Raj Bridgelall, North Dakota State University; Marco Carvalho, Florida Institute of Technology; Shih-Fu Chang, Columbia University; Christopher Chen, Boston University; Wei Chen, The University of Texas at Arlington.

Ray Chen, The University of Texas at Austin; Floyd Chilton, The University of Arizona; Wonbong Choi, University of North Texas; Marc Christensen, Clarkson University; Carlos Cordon-Cardo, Mount Sinai Health System; Sean Cutler, University of California, Riverside; Dipankar Dasgupta, The University of Memphis; Rafael Davalos, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Mark Dertzbaugh, U.S. Army Medical Research & Development Command (USAMRDC).

Raymond Dingledine, Emory University; Tammy Dugas, Louisiana State University; Linda Dwoskin, University of Kentucky; Ayman El-Refaie, Marquette University; Ali Erdemir, Texas A&M University; Ronald Faller, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Philip Felgner, University of California, Irvine; Naola Ferguson-Noel, University of Georgia; J.J. Garcia-Luna-Aceves, University of California, Santa Cruz; Ehud Gazit, Tel Aviv University.

Lee Gehrke, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Guy Genin, Washington University in St. Louis; Maria Gennaro, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey; Charles Gersbach, Duke University; Roozbeh Gha-ari, Northwestern University; Joseph Glorioso, III, University of Pittsburgh; Yury Gogotsi, Drexel University; Viviana Gradinaru, California Institute of Technology; Warren Grill, Duke University; Cuntai Guan, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

Farshid Guilak, Washington University in St. Louis and Shriners Children's St. Louis; Peixuan Guo, The Ohio State University; Mool Gupta, University of Virginia; Susan C. Hagness, University of Wisconsin-Madison; William Hahn, Harvard University; Robert Hancock, The University of British Columbia; Johandelsman, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Joshua Hare, University of Miami; Vincent Harris, Northeastern University; Bin He, Carnegie Mellon University.

Daniel Henderson, New Jersey Institute of Technology; Payam Heydari, University of California, Irvine; Anthony J. Hickey, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and RTI International; Elizabeth Hillman, Columbia University; Michael Hindle, Virginia Commonwealth University; John A. Hossack, University of Virginia; Jinlian Hu, City University of Hong Kong; Ru Chih Huang, Johns Hopkins University; Hao Huang, University of Houston; Patrick Hwu, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute.

Petros Ioannou, University of Southern California; Ravinder Jain, The University of New Mexico; Klavs Jensen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Jean Jiang, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio; Jian Jin, Mount Sinai Health System; David Julius, University of California, San Francisco; Katalin Kariko, University of Pennsylvania; Michael Khonsari, Louisiana State University Anastasia Khvorova, University of Massachusetts Medical School; Joseph A. King, Jr., U.S. Department of Energy—Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA—E).

William King, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; Michael King, Vanderbilt University; John Kitching, National Institute of Standards and Technology; Shohei Koide, New York University; Ilya Kolmanovsky, University of Michigan; Vijay Kumar; University of Pennsylvania; Debomoy Lahiri, Indiana University; Nancy Lane, University of California, Davis; Changzhi Li, Texas Tech University; Jianrong Li, The Ohio State University.

Kai Liu, Georgetown University; Yu-Hwa Lo, University of California, San Diego; Gabriel Lopez-Berestein, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center; Jiebo Luo, University of Rochester; David MacMillan, Princeton University; Upamanyu Madhow, University of California, Santa Barbara; Sanford Markowitz, Case Western Reserve University; B.S. Manjunath, University of California, Santa Barbara; Nicholas McKeown, Stanford University; Gérard Medioni, University of Southern California.

Anand Mehta, Medical University of South Carolina, Benjamin Miller, University of Rochester; Ronald Montelaro, University of Pittsburgh: Orhun Muratoglu, Massachusetts General Hospital Research Institute; Nosang Myung, University of Notre Dame; Barbara Osborne, University of Massachusetts Amherst; Adegboyega Oyelere, Georgia Institute of Technology; George Painter, Emory University; Shivendra Panwar, New York University; Ardem Patapoutian, The Scripps Research In-

Fang Zheng Peng, Florida State University and Florida A&M University; Randall Prather, University of Missouri-Columbia; Robert Prudhomme, Princeton University; Lili Qiu, The University of Texas at Austin; Ramamoorthy Ramesh, University of California, Berkeley, Anshuman Razdan, University of Oregon; Danny Reible, Texas Tech University; Amy R. Reibman, Purdue University; Stephen Riederer, Mayo Clinic; J. Paul Robinson, Purdue University.

Krishan Sabnani, Johns Hopkins University; Juan Santiago, Stanford University; Justin Schwartz, The Pennsylvania State University; Charles Sentman, Dartmouth; Jay Shendure, University of Washington, A. Dean Sherry, The University of Texas at Dallas and The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center; Molly Shoichet, University of Toronto; Justin Siegel, University of California, Davis; Rajiv Singh, University of Florida; Kazem Sohraby, Utah Valley University.

Florian Solzbacher, The University of Utah; Nicole Steinmetz, University of California, San Diego; Robert Strongin; Portland State University: Saraswati Sukumar, Johns Hopkins University; Charles R. Sullivan, Dartmouth; Madhavan Swaminathan, Georgia Institute of Technology; Dennis Sylvester, University of Michigan; Mark Tehranipoor, University of Florida; Sylvia Thomas, University of South Florida; Kenneth Tobin, Oak Ridge Associated

Carlo Traverso, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Guochuan Emil Tsai, University of California, Los Angeles; Erik Tucker, Oregon Health & Science University; Dustin Tyler, Case Western Reserve University; Yonhua Tzeng, Auburn University and National Cheng Kung University; Eric Wachsman, University of Maryland, College Park; Yadong Wang, Cornell University; Zhong Lin Wang, Georgia Institute of Technology; Kang Wang, University of California, Los Angeles; Joseph Wang, University of California, San Diego.

Daniel Martin Watterson, Northwestern University: Drew Weissman, University of Pennsylvania; Douglas Werner, The Pennsylvania State University; R. Stanley Williams, Texas A&M University; Justin Williams, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Jeannette Wing, Columbia University; Peter Winzer, Technical University Graz, Austria; Joseph Wu, Stanford University; Charles Wyman, University of California, Riverside; Ganapati Yadav, Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai.

Yan, Arizona State University: Hao Yuanyuan Yang, Stony Brook University; Jianhua Joshua Yang, University of Southern California; Raymond Wai Ho Yeung, The Chinese University of Hong Kong; Roe-Hoan Yoon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Mone Zaidi, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai; Chang-Guo Zahn, University of Kentucky; Ji-Cheng Zhao, University of Maryland, College Park; Yuntian Zhu, North

Carolina State University and City University of Hong Kong; Xiaowei Zhuang, Harvard University and Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

HONORING MCHENRY COUNTY'S FIRST JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

#### HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize McHenry County's first Juneteenth celebration, entitled Juneteenth Freedom Day: Emancipation. Jubilation. Education. event commemorates June 19, 1865, the date in which federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to ensure that all enslaved people be freed: coming two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Juneteenth is a day of jubilee to celebrate the end of slavery, but it also is a day to recognize that the fight continues for equal rights and to end systemic racism. It is a time to reflect on the struggles of African Americans, as well as an opportunity to recognize the past and present achievements of the African American community.

The McHenry County celebration in Woodstock, Illinois serves as a celebration of the progress attained by generations who fought for freedoms and rights, and as a reminder of the work still needed to ensure a brighter, more equitable world for all children and future generations. By featuring notable speakers, musical performances, food, and other cultural activities, McHenry County is taking admirable steps toward this recognition and inclusivity.

I ask you all to join me in thanking Gloria Van Hof, Pamela Althoff, Deanna 'Dee' Darling, Emily Ferguson, Patrick Murfin, Louisett 'Lou' Ness, Regina Rakoncay, Jennifarre Urch, and many others for bringing this celebration to fruition in McHenry County. May this be an annual event that gains in popularity and impact for many years to come.

RECOGNIZING MICHIGAN'S CARIB-BEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Caribbean American Heritage Month to celebrate the contributions of Caribbean-Americans to Michigan's 12th Congressional District and all across our Nation.

National Caribbean American Heritage Month was first recognized in 2005. This was the culmination of many years of efforts by organizations around the world to spotlight the numerous contributions to our Nation. Caribbean Community Services, a nonprofit organization based in Detroit, Michigan, has proudly uplifted that history. They routinely host numerous events that celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the Caribbean and its impact on our communities in southeastern Michigan. I am incredibly proud of the important work Caribbean Social Services undertakes to foster diverse and welcoming communities. I especially want to highlight their leadership in ensuring these contributions are recognized and valued as we celebrate Caribbean American Heritage Month.

Please join me in recognizing National Caribbean American Heritage Month and the contributions of Caribbean Americans across our Nation and the 12th Congressional District.

> HONORING THE LIFE OF THEODORE "DIXON" LONG

#### HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Theodore "Dixon" Long, who passed away at the age of 89 on December 11, 2022. Dixon was a writer, teacher, and community leader.

Born in Warren. Ohio in 1933. Dixon first entered academia at the nearby Western Reserve Academy in Hudson, Ohio. He went on to earn a BA at Amherst College, an MA at Tufts University, and a PhD in Political Science at Columbia University. Throughout his life, Dixon pursued diverse career interests, including sailing, writing, teaching, and environmental conservation, and in, each of these areas he shared his experience and knowledge with the public.

Dixon served in the U.S. Army in Korea. After leaving the military, he embarked on a sailing expedition that took him across the Indian and South Atlantic Oceans on a boat he built with two college friends in Japan. He documented his experiences in a series of articles for his hometown newspaper, and later combined those writings to form the foundation of his book "Westward Horne," This adventure shaped his perspective and set the stage for his future endeavors.

In academia, Dixon shared his wealth of knowledge as a tenured professor of political science at Case Western University from 1962 to 1985. His international experiences and expertise were invaluable as he guided his students and contributed to the field of political science. Alongside his teaching career, Dixon engaged in public affairs, producing reports for Congress on a wide range of topics, including science policy and the future of the Peace Corps.

Dixon's passions extended to environmental conservation, where he actively participated in organizations such as the Ohio Conservation Foundation and the Holden Arboretum. His contributions focused on protecting open spaces and raising awareness about the impact of technology on the natural world. Additionally, his passion for the arts led him to support cultural institutions like the Cleveland Orchestra and Cleveland Ballet; he served as a docent at Berkeley Repertory Theatre, and on the board at Marin Theatre Company.

Throughout his life, Dixon remained devoted to the pursuit of knowledge and the written word. He authored ten novels, including "Brothers," "A Very Rich Man," and "Running Without Lights." His love for literature extended beyond his own work, as he actively supported and contributed to Zyzzyva, a magazine of writers and artists.

Dixon is survived by brothers Quincy and Jeffrey, son Sam, daughter Ali, stepdaughters

Anne Dickerson Lind and Julie Dickerson Byrne, four grandchildren, and four step-grandchildren. While he will be greatly missed, Dixon's legacy will live on through the positive impact he had on his community and beyond.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in extending condolences to Dixon's family and friends, and in expressing my appreciation for his decades of work for the public good and for sharing his life experiences with us.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. NEAL P. DUNN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. DUNN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall No. 269.

#### ALEXANDER BARTH

#### HON. DAN NEWHOUSE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. NEWHOUSE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate my friend, Alexander Barth, on his retirement after many dedicated years to the hop industry.

Alex was the Chief Executive Officer of John I. Haas Inc., North America's leading hop supplier, as well as a partner at BarthHaas, the world's leading supplier of hop products and related services. BarthHaas, founded in 1794, is now in its eighth generation of family ownership.

As a hop farmer myself, I truly appreciate the impact John I. Haas Inc. and BarthHaas have on the industry, which is due in large part to Alex. Prior to his appointment as CEO, Alex was responsible for overseeing the company's significant production operations, so he also knows his way around a hop farm.

My sincerest thanks goes out to Alex for his honesty and integrity, and for his commitment to the prosperity of our community and industry. I wish him the best in his retirement.

#### RECOGNIZING MR. ARMIN BARTH

#### HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. GALLAGHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy and service of a truly remarkable man, Mr. Armin Barth. A proud Wisconsinite, husband, father, grandfather, and veteran who has dedicated his life to service.

In the spring of 1944, World War II was raging in both the European and Pacific theaters, as the United States military and allied forces beat back the advance of the Axis powers. Against the backdrop of global conflict, a young man by the name of Armin Barth, from Appleton, Wisconsin, raised his right hand to serve his country. On June 24, 1944, at just 16 years of age, Armin chose to postpone his high school education and serve as a Merchant Mariner.

This was not a decision that young Armin would have made lightly—the United States Merchant Marine suffered a higher proportion of casualties during the war than any other branch of the United States military. German and Japanese naval forces understood that the maritime logistics enterprise was the lifeblood of the allied war effort; therefore, the U.S. merchant fleet became a favorite target of Nazi submarines in the Atlantic and Japanese kamikaze planes in the Pacific.

Putting the potential dangers out of his mind, young Armin knew that he had a vital job to do. Merchant ships sailing under U.S. and allied flags transported military personnel. hardware, ammunition, food, petroleum, and medical supplies in support of troops in contact all over the globe, providing a critical link between the American wartime industrial base and the front lines. From June 24 to August 15, 1944, Armin Barth served as a messman aboard the SS Canada Victory, a supply vessel which had been constructed as part of the World War II Emergency Shipbuilding Program. Following this assignment, he once again took to sea as a utilityman aboard the troopship Alcoa Patriot from September 9 to December 14, 1944.

Young Americans who answer the call to serve in the Armed Forces, especially during wartime, are deserving of the praise and admiration of a grateful nation. As a testament to his character and courage, Armin Barth answered this call not once, but twice, before his 18th birthday. On June 9, 1945, Barth enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He achieved the rank of Private First Class and served honorably as a Motor Transport Operator and Dispatcher until his discharge from the United States Marine Corps Reserve on April 14, 1950.

Upon his discharge from the United States Marine Corps, Armin and the love of his life, Lois, built their home in Appleton and proudly raised five children: Jean, Joan, Gary, Keith, and Kevin. Following Armin's service in the military, he applied the leadership skills he gained to his civilian career as a truck driver for Consolidated Freightways operating out of Menasha, WI, which he did for 55 years. Furthermore, Armin has continued to support and serve his local community by transporting fellow veterans from the Appleton VA Clinic to the VA in Milwaukee for appointments.

Armin has many accomplishments throughout his career to be proud of, but one of the most important has been his family. Armin shared many valuable life lessons with his children as they grew up and placed a special emphasis on education, as he was never able to graduate high school. The lessons Armin instilled in his children resulted in several college degrees or other advanced certifications. Today, I extend my sincere congratulations to Armin for receiving his high school diploma from Appleton West High School.

Mr. Speaker, I once again thank Armin Barth for his unwavering service and dedication to the United States. Our nation is safer, and Northeast Wisconsin is better, because of his service. I urge members of this body to join me in honoring Mr. Armin Barth for his selfless commitment and service. Mr. Armin Barth is deserving of the highest degree of recognition.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF BARBARA WAINMAN

#### HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Barbara Wainman and to recognize her 44 years of dedicated public service to our country.

Over the last 44 years, Barbara has served

Over the last 44 years, Barbara has served the public through her work in Congress and the U.S. Department of the Interior. She has played a key role in the funding and policies of the Interior Department and has led communication and outreach efforts on a myriad of natural resource issues that had major impacts at the national level.

Barbara graduated in 1974 from T.C. Williams High School, now Alexandria High School. In 1978 she graduated from Smith College with a bachelor's degree in political science and government. She began her career as a reporter with the Easton Bulletin, a local paper in Massachusetts. Soon after, she returned to Virginia and landed her first congressional job with the House Republican Conference by networking while waiting tables in Alexandria. In 1981, she transitioned to the late Congressman Ralph Regula's team, which she credits with teaching her about leadership—lessons that she carried with her throughout her career. While working on the U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Barbara worked to help expand the National Heritage Corridors within the National Park System.

In 1997, Barbara left Capitol Hill to continue onto her next role with the Bureau of Land Management as the chief of Congressional and Legislative Affairs. In 1999, she was promoted to assistant director of the Office of Communications at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), becoming a member of the Senior Executive Service. At USGS, she led numerous communications and outreach efforts, including overseeing the communications response to some of the Nation's worst earthquake, volcano, and flooding disasters. In 2017, Barbara made the final move in her Federal career to become the assistant director of the Office of Communications at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), where she has overseen public engagement, congressional affairs and media communications, and partnerships with national organizations. At FWS, Barbara has been responsible for developing and launching FWS's first-ever content management system, a project that spanned nearly 8 years and has improved public engagement and access to information over the internet. She is also responsible for establishing FWS' first-ever internal communications platform that proved to play a key role in successfully communicating with employees during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more than four decades, Barbara has mentored dozens of public servants and has been a role model for current and future leaders. Her dedication to the career development of her employees will inspire public servants long into the future. Her service and outstanding contributions were recognized in 2022, when she was granted the highest honor of the Interior Department, the Distinquished Service Award.

Throughout her career, Barbara has also been a devoted mother. Her two children have expressed their admiration for her work ethic and for her abiding love. She was their biggest cheerleader at baseball games and swim meets.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my colleagues join me in honoring Barbara Wainman. Her commitment and passion for public service and for our country has been immeasurable. I wish her the best as she takes the next step in life to enjoy time with her family and friends.

HONORING JAMES EARL BROWN'S LIFE AND LEGACY

#### HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate and honor the life of Mr. James Earl Brown, a true servant for North Texas. Mr. Brown was born to Mr. Jim Brown and Ms. Pearlie Mae Evans on January 18, 1942 and was raised the youngest of three siblings in Clarksville, Texas.

For over 40 years, Mr. Brown served students across North Texas and completed his career as an Adjunct Professor at Tarrant County College. In 1959, he began his academic career by graduating from Carter G. Woodson High School in Haynesville, Louisiana. Mr. Brown then earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Grambling State University. In 1979, he would go on to acquire a Master of Education degree from Stephen F. Austin State University and received his teacher certification only a year later.

Mr. Brown held many titles over the years from a teacher of art, technology facilitator, computer applications, and even assistant principal. One of his greatest recognitions came in 1985 when Fort Worth Independent School District named him "Teacher of the Year".

In his community, Mr. Brown was known for making meaningful, long-lasting connections full of exploration and beloved memories. He was loved by so many Green B. Trimble Tech High "bulldogs" of all graduating classes and backgrounds—who flocked to social media to express condolences and love upon his recent passing. Mr. Brown continued to champion conservation efforts throughout his educational career, and thanks to him, his legacy and impact on young Texas lives will remain past his time. James submitted his last assignment on May 30, 2023.

He is preceded and reunited with his Father and Mother; Jim Brown and Pearlie Mae Evans, Brothers, Charles Brown, Sr. and Joseph Brown, Sr.; as well as his sisters, Velma Jean Johnson and Doris Jean White. He will fondly be remembered by a host of family, friends, and colleagues.

HONORING DISTINGUISHED NEIGHBORS, LEADERS, AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS DURING NATIONAL IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

#### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of many individuals and organizations who have served my district during the pandemic. Through selfless service, these individuals have invested in America and their new communities to help us recover from the pandemic as a united community and Nation. I recognize these distinguished leaders in Florida during National Immigrant Heritage Month.

Henry Mendoza, an industrial engineer, fled to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia, due to physical beatings, death threats, and acts of violence against him by illegally armed groups. He had been working with Colombia's Civil Conflict victims as a community organizer. In the United States, Mr. Mendoza has dedicated himself to the service of others. He has worked tirelessly as the director of Outreach and Health Initiatives of the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. In these roles, he has addressed hunger and health disparities and met the basic needs of the Azalea Park and Oviedo communities. Mr. Mendoza also helps other refugees adapt and serve their new communities. Mr. Mendoza co-founded Corpus Care, Inc., a 501(c)3 dedicated to promoting health education and access to healthcare in Central Florida.

Hoower Cajicá is a Catholic priest and psychologist who came to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia, after being gravely assaulted and threatened for his community work by illegally armed groups. In Colombia, Father Hoower worked as a psychologist supporting families and victims of abuse in the minority and vulnerable communities impacted by the Colombian Civil Conflict and many impoverished communities. This work put his life in danger. He has continued providing mental health support to those struggling with addiction, victims of domestic violence, and others in Chicago and Central Florida. Father Hoower founded and is the Executive Director of the Renacer Foundation, a project of Renacer en Vida Nueva, Inc., a 501(c)3 dedicated to promoting mental health in Chicago and Central Florida

Hernando Elias David Torres is a retired Catholic priest and professor who fled to the United States with his family from Cali, Colombia, after being tortured, gravely assaulted, and threatened by illegally armed groups for his community work. In Colombia, Father Hernando worked tirelessly for the cause of the poor. During the Colombian Civil Conflict, he worked as a hostage negotiator and assisted the United States Embassy in Bogotá in retrieving the remains of United States citizen casualties of the conflict. Illegally armed groups assassinated both his bishop and his brother for this work. At the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret, Hernando has dedicated his efforts to supporting the Healing Hunger Food Pantry and the church's many public health initiatives in Central Florida.

Yoluiscla Ustariz, a public accountant, and her family came to the United States from Barcelona, Venezuela, after receiving death threats due to their political differences with the Venezuelan government. In 2022, she and others worked to provide COVID-19 testing to vulnerable communities at supermarkets and evening testing events during the height of the Omicron variant wave in Kissimmee and Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian. In 2023, Mrs. Ustariz cofounded Florida Health Station, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting health education and well-being in Central Florida.

Carmen Freitez, a medical doctor, and her family came to the United States from Cagua, Venezuela, after being victims of extortion, kidnapping, and persecution for being members of a founding family of a political party opposed to the Venezuelan government. She is a surgeon with 30 years of experience and has supported community health projects and vaccination in Central Florida. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

María Rueda, a medical doctor, and her family came to the United States from Maracaibo, Venezuela, after being victims of political persecution, kidnapping, and death threats by armed groups affiliated with the regime. She is a pediatrician with 30 years of experience. She worked as a community health worker in supporting public health programs, including Alzheimer's education clinics and vaccination programs to address meningitis and hepatitis outbreaks in the Azalea Park neighborhood. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida familles recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Franklin Yorio, a medical doctor, and his family fled from Venezuela to the United State seeking protection from death threats, extortion, and political persecution. He is an ophthalmologist with 27 years of experience. He worked as a community health worker in the Azalea Park neighborhood, where partnered with numerous organizations to promote health and education. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, he supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Silvia Sierra, a medical doctor, and her family fled to the United States from Maracay,

Venezuela, as victims of political persecution due to her work as a medical director supporting her local community. She is a medical epidemiologist by profession with 27 years of experience. She is a community health worker vaccination and addressing promoting COVID-19. meningitis, hepatitis, and monkeypox outbreaks in Azalea Park. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane

Emily Salamanca, a medical doctor, and her family came to the United States from Maracay. Venezuela, fleeing death threats for belonging to political groups opposed to the Venezuelan regime. She is a gynecologist and obstetrician with 26 years of experience. She worked as a community health worker supporting many public health projects and hurricane recovery efforts in Azalea Park. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane lan.

Liliam Mayora, a medical doctor, fled to the United States from Maracay, Venezuela, with her family. They were victims of political persecution, threats, and harassment by the Venezuelan government. Mayora is a medical anesthesiologist by profession and has 27 years of experience. She worked as a community health worker in Azalea Park, where she supported health education and COVID-19 recovery projects. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Silvia Estrada de Losada, a medical doctor and former medical school professor, fled to the United States from Maracay, Venezuela, with her family. They were fleeing political persecution and acts of violence, which put all of them in grave danger. Estrada is an obstetrician and gynecologist with 26 years of experience. She worked as a community health worker in the Azalea Park area. She promoted health and helped create a community health program at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret, which served a multi-county region. She now works at the Florida Department of Health.

Clorinda Victora Contreras, a medical doctor and medical researcher, fled to the United States from Valencia, Venezuela, with her family. She was a victim of violence by armed groups of the regime. She also faced the reality that the Venezuelan government would seize her research and life's work. Contreras is a medical research scientist with 32 years of experience. She currently works as a community health worker supporting public health, establishing a nonprofit focused on health

education, and bringing medical technology to the United States. She has obtained three U.S. patents for medical technology that has the potential to benefit all Americans. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane lan. In 2023, Contreras co-founded Florida Health Station, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting health education and well-being in Central Florida.

Jhon Fabio Gamboa and his wife, Tamaira Picón, came to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia, with their children Jhon Franco and Tammy, due to death threats, extortion, and acts of violence against Gamboa for his business interests in the Chicamocha National Park. Gamboa lent his entrepreneurial spirit and talent to the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King, Jesús de Nazaret, and the Renacer Foundation, supporting multiple public health and social services projects. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, Gamboa supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. Picón supported a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida in partnership with the Renacer Foundation. Together, they helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Joaquin Hernández, an elementary school student, and his family fled Bucaramanga, Colombia, to the United States to escape death threats and acts of violence against his family-his mother, Silvia; his father, Fidel; and his uncles, Henry and Hoover-by illegally armed groups. His family was targeted for their organizing work supporting local communities negatively impacted by Colombia's civil conflict. In the United States, Hernández found protection and a new calling: to keep his friends and new neighbors safe during the pandemic. He partnered with his church and local community-based organizations to create several videos urging vaccination. His videos reached thousands and motivated many to get their children vaccinated. As a first-grade student, Hernández has shown that no one is too young to serve and help make America stronger. Hernández's family recently received permanent resident status, and he looks forward to the day that he can celebrate the Fourth of July as an American citizen with his sisters, Isabella and Violeta.

Marianne Long, a medical doctor, was born a United States citizen but was residing in Venezuela when the country's political upheavals displaced her. Unable to practice medicine in the United States, she still wished to serve the public, so she volunteered her time practicing medicine worldwide with Doctors Without Borders. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the

pandemic and Hurricane Ian. Today, she continues to volunteer her time at the church. Recently, she facilitated an ecology Spring Break camp for elementary school children at the church, and she also supports the Healing Hunger Food Pantry.

Joselina Reyes, a local community leader, and her husband, Generoso Mateo, are naturalized citizens of the United States. Originally from the Dominican Republic, they have prospered in America and give back to help those in need in their community. Both are trained community health workers who worked to bring health and education access to Kissimmee and Orlando during the pandemic. As a family, they support their local food pantry with their children, Elian and Maria Victoria Mateo, who serve as volunteers and generously give their time to help their neighbors. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, they supported a disaster relief and community health team at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. As a family, they helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Anabel Maria Cohen Negron, a business administrator, came to the United States from Caracas, Venezuela, in 2022, fleeing threats and abuses against her and her family by illegally armed groups. She immediately began working to support her community by supporting local public health programs and vaccination events during the COVID-19 emergency in Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane lan.

Luisana Edith Leon Flores, who worked in manufacturing, came to the United States from Maracay, Venezuela, in 2022, fleeing death threats and violence against her by illegally armed groups. She worked with a group of public health workers and medical professionals to promote community health programs and other public health initiatives during the COVID-19 emergency in Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane

Hugo Molero Omana is a professional musician and special education teacher who fled from San Cristóbal, Venezuela, to the United States. His community work in Venezuela supporting education and the welfare of children led to political persecution, threats to his safety, beatings, and other violence. Together with his husband, Franklyn Martinez, they fled to the United States, where they volunteered at local food pantries and promoted community health in Orange and Osceola Counties. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, he supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Renacer Foundation. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and HurriRicardo Arria is a medical doctor and permanent resident of the United States. He fled to America to escape threats and violence by illegally armed groups. During the COVID–19 energency, he and others worked on public health programs and vaccination events in Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, he supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Leslyn Milla Méndez, a mother of two school-aged children, including a special needs child, and her family came to the United States from Honduras after receiving death and extortion threats from criminal gangs in her country. She is dedicated to her children, one of whom has cerebral palsy. She volunteers to support the many programs that aid families in Azalea Park at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, she supported programming that helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane lan.

Oscar Mauricio Vega, a journalist, and his wife, Jenny Botello, fled to the United States with their son, Santiago, from Bucaramanga, Colombia, after receiving death threats against their child. The threats were in retaliation for Vega's refusal to be extorted by illegally armed groups that have ravaged Colombia. In the United States, Vega and Botello used their skills and talents at the Healing Hunger Food Pantry, where they created content and supported families experiencing hunger and food insecurity in the Azalea Park neighborhood. They also volunteered extensively at the Renacer Foundation, where they helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Yuri Zelaya Membreno, a small business owner, and her family came to the United States from El Salvador, fleeing violence from organized crime and criminal gangs. She and her husband, Yaison Jose Cordero Zalazar, own a business together and work to support the food pantry and social programs at the Healing Hunger Food Pantry. Zelaya works on projects that support leadership development among women. She also coordinates events and volunteerism in support of social support programs that aid families in Azalea Park at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, Zelaya and Cordero supported programming that helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Virginia Brown, a mental health counselor and medical doctor, was born a United States citizen but displaced by Venezuela's political upheavals. Unable to practice medicine in the United States, she attended Rollins College to study mental health. In the United States, she worked for decades serving vulnerable children and families in Orange County. She is the executive director of Warm Welcoming Arms, Inc., a 501(c)3 organization focused on meeting the basic needs of newly arrived immigrant children. In the aftermath of Hurricane lan, she came out of retirement to manage a disaster relief team funded by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of

Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the hurricane.

William Josué Trejos Zelaya, a local community leader, was brought to the United States as a young child by his parents from El Salvador, fleeing violence from organized crime and illegally armed groups. The United States is the only home he knows. He graduated from high school with top honors and maintains top honors at Valencia Community College, where he will graduate in the fall. He loves America and in high school was chosen to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. He has volunteered to support the local food pantry and the social programs at the Healing Hunger Food Pantry. Trejos has dedicated himself to reaching his American Dream and helping build a stronger local community by partnering with his neighbors to fulfill his duty of care to all in need.

José Alfredo Quintero Zelaya, a local community leader, came to the United States from El Salvador, fleeing violence from organized crime and illegally armed groups. For many years, he has worked as a volunteer in support of the local food pantry and the social programs at the Healing Hunger Food Pantry. He has also supported the work of his church, uplifting and assisting the many displaced United States citizens in Orlando in the aftermath of multiple disasters, from Hurricane Maria to Hurricane lan. Quintero has dedicated himself to serving his community and making the Azalea Park neighborhood a better place for all its residents.

Rafael López Acevedo is a local community leader who fled to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia, due to threats and violence from illegally armed groups. Since arriving in Orlando, he and his wife, Luz Dary, and their two children, Esteban and Pablo, have dedicated themselves to volunteering and supporting the Healing Hunger Food Pantry in Orlando, hunger relief, public health, and childhood programs in the Azalea Park neighborhood. López and his family also volunteer extensively at the Renacer Foundation, where they have helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricana lan

Lizeth Juliana Carvajal Quintero is a community organizer who fled to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia, to escape threats and violence from illegally armed groups due to her work supporting local labor in her community. She has worked in support of the Healing Hunger Food Pantry and the Renacer Foundation, both in Orlando, supporting various projects in support of families in need in the Azalea Park neighborhood. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce deprogram velopment managed bv CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Yasseys Piña, a medical doctor, came to the United States from Coro, Venezuela, fleeing threats and abuse against her and her family by illegally armed groups. She supported a team of medical professionals and community health workers during the COVID—19 emergency and in support of other public

health emergencies in Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team that was established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian

Susana Vivian De La Fuente Grosch is an attorney and public accountant who fled to the United States to escape threats and violence against her and her family by illegally armed groups. During the COVID-19 emergency, she and others worked on public health programs and vaccination events in Orlando. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ian, she supported a disaster relief and community health team established through a workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret. The team helped hundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Jhon Franco Gamboa fled to the United States as a child with his family to escape death threats, extortion, and acts of violence against members of his family. As a talented young adult, Gamboa supports the work of not only the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret, but also the Renacer Foundation. He supports multiple public health and social services projects. Through a youth workforce development program managed by CareerSource Central Florida at the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret, Gamboa supports work that assists bundreds of Central Florida families recover from the pandemic and Hurricane Ian.

Mariana Chavez is an elementary school student who immigrated to the United States from Bucaramanga, Colombia. She is the granddaughter of a U.S. citizen, and she came to the United Stastes with her family to contribute to our Nation's prosperity. She is the youngest volunteer at the Healing Hunger Food Pantry, where she faithfully serves by unpacking food and welcoming families. Her energy outpaces all of the adults who volunteer alongside her, including her father, Diego Chavez, her mother, Ingrid Gonzalez, and her older brother, Deiby Rodriguez.

The work of community members, churches, and community-based organizations that empower neighbors to help neighbors makes our communities more resilient. It also helps those of us in governance hear, see, and meet the needs of all who live in our districts.

The Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida and its churches in Orange County, the Episcopal Churches of Christ the King and Jesús de Nazaret, the Healing Hunger Food Pantry and Osceola County, Trinity House at Saint John's Kissimmee, are churches with immigrant leadership that work to serve not only immigrants but the entire community. The Rev. Dr. José Rodriguez, the Rev. Maytée de la Torre, the Rev. Scott Anderson, the Rev. Steven Heisler, the Rev. Emilio González, and the Rev. Canon Dr. Luis Manuel de la Cruz support programming with a dedicated team of professionals and volunteers that build resilience and uphold the dignity of our immigrant community. Laurie Schoomaker managed a food pantry that has served thousands of neighbors and immigrants alike through the pandemic, multiple natural disasters, and life's The Renacer Foundation promotes the well-being and mental health of immigrants through innovative programming and interventions aimed at welcoming immigrants and facilitating acculturation while celebrating and preserving the cultural differences that enrich our shared community. The Rev. Hoower Cajica and Renacer's team of professionals and volunteers leverage years of work in mental health and providing social services to build up our local immigrant families.

CareerSource Central Florida provides unfettered access for Central Florida families who wish to access the many professional opportunities that make our local community a beacon of hope and opportunity for many living and moving into the region. Pamela Nabors, Nilda Blanco, and Yaralise Colón have worked tirelessly for our community not only in assisting people through career transitions but also in assisting them as they recover and rebuild after tragedy. The programs overseen by Colón in the aftermath of multiple natural disasters and the pandemic have empowered and equipped workers to achieve and actively contribute to our local economy.

A Coalition of 100 Black Women, together with the Central Florida Black Nurses Association, extended unity and healing into our local immigrant communities during the pandemic by working with others to close gaps and mitigate health disparities in minority communities. Lawanna Gelzer and Dr. Jennifer Sankey worked tirelessly throughout all of Central Florida's counties to equip our immigrant community with the knowledge necessary to promote the health and well-being of our entire community by supporting workforce development projects aimed at empowering community health workers to bring healing knowledge and resources into our most vulnerable communities

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY DR. WILLIAM E. SPRIGGS

#### HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my late friend, Dr. William E. "Bill" Spriggs, who

passed away on June 6, 2023. Serving as both the Economics Department Chair at Howard University and as Chief Economist for the AFL-CIO, Bill was a champion for working people and economic justice. His legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of those of us that had the opportunity to learn from and work with him over the years.

Bill was born to World War II veterans and he continued their public service through his years of work in the federal government. He served as the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Policy during the Obama Administration, and before that he served in the Clinton Administration in a variety of roles. Bill graduated from Williams College with a bachelor's degree in economics and political science and then attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin, where he earned a master's degree and doctorate in economics. This was at a time when there were very few Black Ph.D.s in economics, and he maintained that trail-blazing spirit throughout his life and career.

Bill was steadfast in his commitment to uplifting working people through economic policy. He was focused on many issues, including education, minimum wage, and workplace safety and he was particularly passionate about closing racial disparities in the labor market. His work highlighted how people of color, particularly Black Americans, were disproportionately lower income in our country, and he believed economic policy makers had an obligation to address these inequities. At times, he spoke the uncomfortable truth. For example, Bill bluntly stated that "the reason that racist policies have continued to exist is that racism involves an unexamined set of assumptions."

This was quite evident during my first term in Congress as we debated the 1994 Crime Bill, and I looked to Bill's scholarship to resist draconian, slogan-driven legislation. Many people were trying to codify tough-on-crime slogans and soundbites, such as "you do the adult crime, you do the adult time," or "three strikes and you're out." Bill steadfastly researched and presented evidence of how programs like Head Start, after school programs and other prevention and intervention strategies did more to effectively reduce future criminal behavior than the slogans and soundbites.

On a personal note, Bill and I shared both a personal and professional bond. I first met

Bill while serving in the Virginia General Assembly, when he was a professor at Norfolk State University. We were both admirers of the Attucks Theater on Church Street in Norfolk, Virginia that was noted for its unique architecture designed by an African American architect and financed by a Black bank in 1919. Bill's work has significantly influenced how I approach policymaking, especially in my role as the former Chairman and current Ranking Member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. I had the honor of calling him a friend, and I can attest to his personal kindness and fundamental good nature.

Mr. Speaker, I want to extend my condolences to his wife, Jennifer, his son, William, his loved ones, and everyone else who was influenced by his work.

#### ARC NATURE COAST 40TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 16, 2023

ture Coast.

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 40th anniversary of the Arc Na-

The Arc Nature Coast is an organization that assists adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. They provide individually tailored quality support and advocacy to promote their self-determination and inclusion in community life. They serve about 200 individuals annually through various programs such as residential, skill training, transportation, and employment. More than 80 individuals have secured employment in the community through their employment services programs.

Under the leadership of their current Executive Director, Mark W. Barry who has served for the past 20 years, the Arc Nature Coast has established itself as a quality organization that makes a profound impact on the lives of those it serves and their families.

The Arc Nature Coast provides an invaluable service to our community, and we are better for it. I thank everyone involved for their tireless dedication and wish them nothing but continued success.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

#### Chamber Action

## Committee Meetings

The Senate met at 10 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:39 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20.

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

#### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4195–4203; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 520–522, were introduced. Page H2964

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Reschenthaler to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual to the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress on the part of the House for a term of 6 years: Mrs. Heather Obernolte of Big Bear Lake, California.

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British-American Interparliamentary Group— Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Representative Latta, Chair; Representatives Aderholt, Cole, Meuser, Smucker, Kim (CA), and Kean (NJ).

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Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group: Representative McCaul, Chair; Representatives Valadao, Gimenez, Ciscomani, and De La Cruz.

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Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: Representative Huizenga, Chair; Representatives Bergman, Stauber, Tenney, Finstad, and Langworthy.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2963.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea and nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2024 for the Central

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Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency, 4:45 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2024, 5 p.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2024, 5:30 p.m., SR-232A.

#### House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3799, the "CHOICE Arrangement Act"; H. Res. 461, condemning the use of elementary and secondary school facilities to provide shelter for aliens who are not admitted to the United States; H.R. 3564, the "Middle Class Borrower Protection Act of 2023", 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol

Next Meeting of the SENATE 3 p.m., Tuesday, June 20

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12 noon, Tuesday, June 20

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Julie Rikelman, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, postcloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 5:30 p.m.

#### House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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